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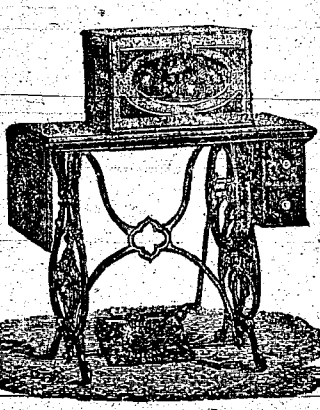
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 -Xmas.
 -Xmas goods in great profusion at
 Hanson's.
 -A winter's fog will freeze a dog,
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 -Our village school is having a holiday
 vacation of two weeks.
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 in this county that knows "How to do it."

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-We see by the Otsego Herald that
 the Masonic fraternity of Grayling intend
 soon erecting a fine hall for their
 use.

There will be no services in the
 School House next Sabbath morning,
 but the evening service will be held as
 usual.

Miss Frank Stewart of West
 Branch, beamed upon us this week in
 all of her effulgence, then disappeared,
 and now we're in gloom.

Section boss Garrett Meade, wants
 the car stopped, boys, in order to find
 out where his "car-stable" has skipped
 to-do you "tumble?"

Mr. Edward Alger has taken the
 contract to build a fine residence for
 Mr. Rasmus Hanson on lots owned by
 him just north of Henry Mantz's.

Mr. John Cole, of Port Huron,
 started up his lumber camp on the
 North Branch this week, hiring quite
 a number of his men at this place, and
 is to make this village his headquarters
 for supplies.

-Don't forget to attend the shoot-
 ing match to come off on the ball
 grounds in this village next Saturday,
 as you may witness some fine mark-
 smanship, as well as rare sport.

Northern Michigan has been re-
 velling in a short spell of delightful
 weather, with no snow and a warm at-
 mosphere, much to the dissatisfaction
 of lumbermen, but just "roots" to the
 man of leisure.

Superintendent Vaughan, division
 Roadmaster James Shields, and assist-
 ant M. Flahive, of the M. C. R. R.,
 have been stopping in town a day or
 two, superintending the preparatory
 work on the division.

Miss Amanda Blackman, a daugh-
 ter of Mr. Geo. Blackman, of Beaver
 Creek, aged about 15 years, died on
 Sunday morning last after a brief ill-
 ness of one week. The exact nature
 of the disease which caused her death
 we were unable to learn.

Governor David H. Jerome and
 his suite, accompanied by Manager
 Ledyard and his staff, passed through
 the village Monday evening enroute to
 Mackinaw, to accept the now complet-
 ed extension to the Straits.

A gang of about 50 men are busily
 engaged in grading and laying a side
 track, just to the west of the main
 track opposite the depot, extending
 from the water-tank north to a point
 beyond the Portage Lake road, a dis-
 tance of about a half mile.

Mr. J. K. Bates was ordered by
 the Division Master to remove at once
 his two cottages standing north and
 west of the depot, to make room for
 the necessary side-track and switches
 now being put in by the R. R. compa-
 ny.

In response to a query of County
 Clerk Steckert, we would say that
 Jones' family are not dead, but as to
 their shortness of postage stamps we
 can't say, but will, inquire, and if so,
 we'll borrow two and lend 'em one.

The material for the splendid wa-
 ter tank with a capacity of 85,000 gal-
 lons is all on all the ground, the founda-
 tion of solid masonry finished, and the
 work will now be prosecuted with
 vigor, until it will stand a finished
 tank in every respect.

Rev. E. E. Caster, of Fenton, will
 deliver a lecture at the Hall this
 (Thursday) evening on the subject of
 Matrimony. From those who have
 heard Mr. Caster we have the assur-
 ance of hearing a very interesting and
 instructive lecture. Admission 20cts.

Notice.—The undersigned will be
 at the Hotel of H. P. P. Schmidt,
 in Frederickville township, on Friday of
 each week of the month of December,
 for the purpose of receiving taxes, in
 said township.
 D. LONDON.
 Sheriff.

Mr. Nelson Sorell, the new village
 blacksmith, has lately purchased '9
 acres of land off the northwest corner
 of Win. Brink's farm, adjoining the
 village on the south, for \$400, which he
 intends to lay out in village lots, and
 on which he purposes building several
 substantial structures soon.

For SALE.—An excellent team of
 working mares, whose weight aggregate
 about 2,200 lbs. Would be suitable for
 lumbering, farm or road work, are in
 good order, and will be sold on reason-
 able terms. Inquire at my home in
 Beaver Creek township, or address me
 at Pere Cheyney, Crawford county,
 Mich.
 W. BATTERSON.

There will soon be melody in the
 household of J. Maurice Finn, as his
 new assistant, Mr. Chas. Fay, is said
 to be a skillful performer on the organ,
 and in consequence of which, J. Mau-
 rice has ordered a superb instrument
 to be shipped to his address at once.

The Bay City Tribune says: The
 absence of snow in the lumbering dis-
 tricts is beginning to alarm contractors
 and lumbermen generally, and that
 trains from the north every evening
 bring hundreds of woodsmen to that
 city, whose services have been dis-
 pensed with, but who would find plen-
 ty of employment were there snow up
 on the ground.

Attorney A. H. Swarthout re-
 turned from Saginaw City on Monday,
 accompanied by his wife, and will oc-
 cupy their mansion in the northern
 part of town, which has lately been
 undergoing extensive repairs, prepar-
 tory to this event. Arthur has our
 hearty congratulations in this acqui-
 sition to his happiness, and we trust that
 their cherished hopes of the future may
 ever be bright, and that all their
 troubles through life's journey may be
 "little ones."

Mr. Henry Mantz lost a valuable
 horse one day last week in rather a
 singular manner: It seems the horse
 had just been shod, sharp, all around,
 and was being ridden to camp by one
 of the men, when it stumbled and fell
 on its head, but immediately arose and
 proceeded on a short distance, when it
 fell suddenly all in a heap, dead, the
 man barely escaping being crushed. It
 is supposed that the animal ruptured
 itself internally when it first stumbled
 and fell.

Dwelling houses to rent has be-
 come a real necessity in this village, as
 the improvements of that kind do not
 begin to keep pace with the influx of
 persons seeking homes among us.
 There is not a vacant house in town,
 and the urgent demand should stir our
 citizens to action who have a little cap-
 ital to invest, to see that this state of
 things is remedied. In order to meet
 the exigency, a dozen or more dwell-
 ings should at once be built. Who will
 take the initial step in this important
 matter and build one?

Venor says the 27th and 28th will
 usher in cold and storm, chiefly in the
 western section of the United States,
 and very cold weather in the northwest.
 Christmas bids fair to give general
 snow falls in the northern states, and
 heavy rains in the southern sections.
 The last week of this month to be
 stormy generally, with a marked and
 extended "cold dip." The changes
 will correspond closely with those of
 the same period last year.

The Domestic Tyrant.—"The
 average man" quoth Mrs. Partington,
 "is a weak and irritable domestic ty-
 rant," and Mrs. P. is correct. Tyran-
 nical to a fault the average man will
 enter the blissful Paradise of a happy
 home, scratch himself in fendish glee,
 send the baby into convulsions, and
 for what? Why, because he has the
 itching piles, and is too mean to buy
 Swayne's Ointment, which is an infal-
 lible cure for the worst cases of that
 annoying complaint.

A Cough, Cold or Sore Throat
 should be stopped. Neglect frequently
 results in an incurable Lung Disease or
 Consumption. Brown's Bronchial Tro-
 ches are certain to give relief in Asth-
 ma, Bronchitis, Coughs, Catarrh, Con-
 sumptive and Throat Diseases. For 30
 years the Troches have been recom-
 mended by physicians, and always give
 perfect satisfaction. They are not
 new or untried but have been tested by
 wide and constant use for nearly an
 entire generation, they have attained
 well merited rank among the few sta-
 ple remedies of the age. Public speak-
 ers and singers use them to clear and
 strengthen the Voice. Sold at twenty-
 five cents a box every-where.

Deputy Sheriff Amos Forbes, of
 Roscommon, was shot and killed on
 Saturday morning last by
 Robert E. Titus, a homesteader in this
 county, under circumstances that look
 a good deal mixed at present. It seems
 that Titus and his wife did not live in
 harmony; she being possessed of im-
 moral and degrading proclivities, which
 led to frequent quarrels and disputes
 between them, and the above men-
 tioned officer was said to have been
 shot while trying to serve a warrant on
 him through complaint of his wife for
 alleged attempted violence. There
 are conflicting reports in regard to the
 shooting, some charging that Forbes
 first fired at Titus, when the latter in
 turn fired with the above result, and
 vice-versa. But, be that as it may, the
 whole gist of the matter will probably
 be brought out at the examination and
 trial, which will no doubt soon take
 place.

CIRCUIT COURTS.
 In pursuance of the statute in such
 case made and provided, I do hereby
 fix and appoint the times for holding
 the several terms of the Circuit Court
 within the Twenty-Third Judicial Cir-
 cuit, for the years 1882 and 1883, as
 follows:
 In the County of Isco, on the first
 Tuesdays of February, June and Oc-

tober.
 In the County of Alcona, on the first
 Wednesday of May, and third Wednes-
 day of October.
 In the County of Crawford, on the
 second Wednesday of May, and first
 Wednesday of November.
 In the County of Osceola, on Satur-
 day next after the 21 Wednesday in
 May, and Saturday next preceding the
 first Wednesday in November.
 Dated: Alpena, Oct. 13th 1881.
 J. B. TUTTLE, Circuit Judge.

We clip the following matrimonial
 notice from the Saginaw Courier un-
 der date of the 17th inst, as a matter
 of interest to our readers, as well as
 to show the esteem in which the al-
 low mentioned parties (who have set-
 tled in our midst), are held by their
 many friends in the Saginaw Valley:
 "Again the Courier has the pleasure
 of recording one of those most pleas-
 ant affairs, a home wedding. The con-
 tracting parties this time were Arthur H.
 Swarthout, of Grayling, Crawford
 county, son of James N. Swarthout,
 of Saginaw Town, and Miss Abbie R.
 Squires, daughter of Josiah Squires,
 who lives five miles northwest of the
 city on the Mackinaw road. The cere-
 mony was performed at the home of
 the bride's parents, Thursday evening
 Rev. Dr. Jameson, of the First Baptist
 Church of this city, officiating.
 There were present about fifty friend-
 and relatives of the contracting parties,
 many of whom were from the city."

The bride's toilet was of peach-
 blue changeable silk, made with bio-
 cade and lace, very pretty. The happ-
 groom looked his best in the time-hon-
 ored broadcloth. The congratulation
 and merry making, no small part of
 which was the partaking of a regu-
 lar wedding repast to which the best of
 farmers' stores and the most delicate
 that city caterer can furnish contribu-
 ted, occupied several hours, and al-
 passed most pleasantly. The wedding
 presents were rich, numerous and val-
 ued. The contracting parties are both
 well known in this city. Mr. Swarth-
 out graduated from the Saginaw high
 school in '78, after which he entered
 the law department of the University.
 He is now practicing his profession at
 Grayling, where he has flattering pros-
 pects. Miss Squires' home has al-
 been in this city for many years. "She
 is a lady whose real worth has secured
 her many friends. That happiness and
 prosperity may attend their married
 life is the sincere wish of the Courier."

Otsego Lake Items.
 Mrs. Fuller has a fine display of
 Christmas presents at the Post Office.
 The "Floating Ark" is now in full blast
 and ready to serve hot meals at all
 hours. A man was killed by a railway
 giving away. at O'Connell's camp Mon-
 day. Our school master took the girls
 out riding last Saturday. A maiden la-
 day of forty was arrested in town on
 Tuesday for slander. Gossips will
 soon learn to "prove up or shut up."
 Rev. E. E. Caster will lecture at the
 Town Hall this (Wednesday) evening,
 under the auspices of the Otsego Lake
 Literary Society—Subject, Matrimony.
 The Otsego Lake Literary Society
 will present the drama, "Among the
 Breakers" about the 10th of next
 month. The characters have been cast
 and no pains will be spared to make it
 a very pleasant entertainment. Bills in
 a few days. D. Wilson's drug store was
 entered by burglars last Thursday
 night, and the money drawer relieved
 of \$70 in silver, and the safe which
 contained \$2,240, was drilled to the
 depth of 31 inches, but daylight must
 have come a little too soon and fright-
 ened them away, for they did not ac-
 complish their purpose as fully as
 they would, had they had more time.
 Two suspicious-looking men were ar-
 rested at Elmira, by Sheriff Hilton,
 but nothing could be proved against
 them. A party of young people came
 down from Grayling last Friday night
 and stopped at the Otsego Lake House
 for supper, after which they repaired
 to the hall and shook the light fantas-
 tic toe till morning. We took some of
 that in, too.
 ANON.

IMPORTANT TO TRAVELERS.
 SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS are offered
 by the BURLINGTON ROUTE. It
 will pay you to read their advertise-
 ment to be found elsewhere in this issue.

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 FRAMES,
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PLEASANTRIES.

Doctors live by pillage.

California is raisin' raisins.

A health-giving number—Quinine.

The man who had so elastic a step
on rubbers.

How a man decides how he will build
is horse—By lot.

The chiroprapist first dates from Willm
the Cornerer.

The term Mormon means the mor-
on; you have the more wives you can
be sealed to.

The man who hesitates is lost. That
why Charlie Ross hesitates about
going back.

In the voyage of life every man is
provided with a skull, with which to
baffle his own canoe.

Wicked New York men want to be
married in Greenwood, because it won't
turn so quickly as the dry.

Darwin—says: "Man, only can
thistle." Darwin certainly never lived
anywhere near a railroad crossing.

A procession of men passed through
the Bowery and were on hour passing a
given point. The given point was a sa-
loon.

Whatever you have to do, do it, with
our might. Many a lawyer has made
his fortune by simply working with a
will.

Queen Victoria's children stand in
rank awe of their regal mamma. No
son; she is so much great awe than
they.

"Always pay as you go," said an old
man to his nephew. "But, uncle, suppose
have nothing to pay with?" "Then
don't go."

"Do try and talk a little common
sense," said a young lady to her visitor.
Ah, but wouldn't that be taking an
unfair advantage of you?"

What'swindlers there are in college
business! An institution in this State
high-claims to fit young men for the
ministry doesn't own a single croquet
bat.

"Whosoever shall smite thee on thy
right cheek, turn to him the other also,"
a biblical expression. In modern
language it is termed "a reversible
smell."

In seems that competition has forced
the price of false teeth down so low that
isn't really worth a body's while to
take at his natural ones.—*Burlington
Tawk-Eye.*

Scene: Bridal reception. Several of
the guests, after shaking hands with the
bride, and all speaking at the same
time: "Where is the bridegroom?"
ridiculous, naively—"Oh, he's up-stairs,
catching the wedding presents."

Once more my eyes, searching eyes
A light of thee hath gladdened;
Once more you bringst a bliss surprise
To him thine spouse adored—
Too long the pearl-white hand hath pressed
That of some other fellow;
Come let me clasp thee to my breast,
My loved and lost umbrella!

All women are naturally afraid of a
woman. "Madam," said the oleomargarine
dealer, when she uttered a shriek at dis-
covering that it was bogus butter she
was handling, "madam, you needn't be
alarmed." The cow it was made from is
so dead to hurt you."

An Oil City boy was recently taken to
the opera house by his uncle. A few
evenings subsequently there was com-
pany at his house, and the uncle and
nephew were among the number. The lad
was relating what he saw, and among
other things said: "I was a little bit
fraid, coz every time the curtain rolled
down uncle went out to see a man, and
left me alone."

"PAPA," said an inquisitive boy,
this morning the dominie prayed for
good rain, and this afternoon Deacon
Ray prayed for dry weather to get his
hay in. Now, if the Lord loves the
deacon and the dominie just the same,
what do you suppose He'll do about it?"
My son," answered the old gentleman,
earnestly, "whenever you want to ask
philosophical questions, go to your mother;
but come to me."

EATING IN THE WEST INDIES.

Strange as it may seem at first sight,
everybody in the West Indies eats very
large meals. The climate is so hot you
can't take food freely to make up losses,
and the appetite has to be stimulated by
great variety of dishes, as well as by
the copious use of those very insidious
spicamias, and the still more delicious
red and yellow bird-peppers. A
few of these tempting fruits are placed
in salt-collars at every meal, and, with
the bright tropical flowers which invari-
ably garnish the table in pretty specien-
vases, they give a general air of
pleasant esthetic refinement to the
whole arrangements. Breakfast is a
very solid and substantial repast, usu-
ally put off till half-past 10 or 11 o'clock,
the pangs of pressing hunger being
quelled before the early morning center
by a cup of coffee in the bedroom,
with it sometimes comes a cassava-cake,
one of the best Jamaica institutions
made by the negro villagers from the
highly-scraped meal of the arrow-root
plant. This meal is rolled into a thin
paste, and then baked hard and dry into
thin cakes, about the thickness of a
crotch oatmeal bannock but much more
delicate in taste.

Three smartest things are often said by
amateurs. A resident physician, when
making his rounds in a lunatic asy-
lum found an adult patient riding a
hobby-horse. "Riding your hobby, are
you?" he said. "No," said the lunatic,
"I am riding my hobby-horse."

"What is the difference?" said the doc-
tor. "Any one who is riding a hobby-
horse can stop when he chooses; but
any one who is riding a hobby can't."

It is not so hard to earn money as to
spend it well.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

FOREIGN.

The fall of a lamp on the stage ignited the Ring Theater, at Vienna, just as it had been filled with spectators. The confusion which instantly prevailed, the fire curtain separating the stage from the auditorium was left raised. A small portion of the audience saved themselves by leaping from third-story windows, and sixty were rescued by means of ladders. The loss of life is estimated at 800. Many corpses were consumed in the galleries.

Sixty-six persons were killed by an explosion in the Cockerill colliery, in Belgium.

Emilianoff, a nihilist prisoner, turned state's evidence and testified that he was one of four men who were detailed to assassinate the Czar Alexander II, on the 18th of March. He stated that the first comrade threw a bomb which failed to explode, and that the second, who was killed, died in the death of the Czar. He testified that no police came near until he had fired the pistol from his carriage and placed him in a sledge. It was for this negligence that the chief officers of the police were excused to Siberia.

Arrests under the Corcoran act continue in Ireland, and the Government is gradually preparing for more. The number of public magistrates is being increased, and the military authorities have been asked to sanction the appointment of a number of officers as magistrates. A magistrate named Studdert was shot at in Clare, but escaped unhurt. The manager of the Land League paper has fled to England to escape arrest. The paper will be managed by the Ladies' Land League in his absence. The authorities are beginning to think more favorably of the Corcoran act.

Unlikely or unwilling to correct the evils complained of by the national press, the Russian authorities propose to place further restrictions upon it. This policy of intolerance is a sign of proof of the incompetent cowardice of the Tsar General Ignatieff.

Dillon has been indirectly informed that he could at once obtain freedom by promising to leave Ireland, but he refuses to give a pledge. Several convictions for agrarian offenses have been obtained at the current assizes. Several hundred tenant-farmers planned Parnell's land, in County Wicklow, and performed all necessary work, meantime cheering for the imprisoned leaders.

PERSONAL.

John W. Forney, the veteran editor and politician, died at his home in Philadelphia, of Bright's disease, aged 64 years.

Gen. F. B. Banning, an ex-member of Congress, died suddenly in his bed at Cincinnati.

Postmaster General James will retire from the Cabinet the first of January.

President Arthur will receive no visitors on Saturdays and Sundays. These days he reserves for himself.

It is reported that Vanderbilt is about to retire from the active management of his properties, leaving the practical administration in the hands of Butler and Cornelius Vanderbilt.

Gen. and Mrs. Grant will be in Washington about the first of January as guests of the President, and will be at the White House a month or more.

The President has adopted rules for the reception of visitors at the White House. He reserves Saturdays and Sundays for himself, and on those days will receive no one. He will hold his first public reception New Year's day.

Mrs. Garfield paid a visit last week and gave orders for the speedy construction of a new-proof building for the storage of the President's private papers.

The late Senator Carpenter's estate will, it is said, yield upward of \$100,000 to his widow and daughter.

FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.

John S. Gibbs & Co., wholesale grocers of St. Louis, have suspended payment, with liabilities of \$125,000.

Niminger & Co., contractors and bankers at Miles City, have failed for \$150,000.

The exports of petroleum and petroleum products for ten months ended Oct. 31 were \$34,017,880, and for the corresponding period of 1893, \$38,929,940.

GENERAL.

Warren Crocker, of the Washington jail, has been repeatedly advised that attempts will be made to hold up the jail with dynamite.

Mr. Watson, getting Postmaster General, has ruled that no supplement containing advertisements will be sent to second-class rates unless the publisher avers that the advertisements paid the same rates in the supplement as were charged in the main sheet.

One of the most remarkable anomalies of recent times over land in the United States was that for "The Messiah," at Cincinnati, in which Patu was advertised to appear. The total receipts for three days were \$16,592.10, of which \$6,904.40 represented premiums, averaging about \$2 per seat.

Scoville, Ontario's counsel, lectured in Washington on "The Quinine Case." He complained that neither the press nor pulpit was disposed to give the defendant a fair trial. He was particularly severe on the anti-quinine of the gospel, and on Judge Davis, of New York, who, in an address to the jury in a murder case recently, referred to Galt's crime.

Chief Arrogant and thirty warriors, the main contingent of the "Yellow Hand," were captured on the Northern Rio Grande by Mexican troops under Francisco Gordo. The chief and several Indians were immediately shot.

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The New Hampshire Senators are confident that Judge Dows, Chief Justice of that State, will be appointed to the vacancy on the Supreme bench.

POLITICAL.

At a caucus of the Roadbuster members of the Virginia Legislature, H. H. Hildebrand was unanimously nominated for United States Senator, to succeed Johnston, Democrat. No other candidate was mentioned.

President Arthur said to some Senators who called on him to urge an appointment that he does not get time to think about appointments, as he is kept talking about them twenty-four hours out of the twenty-four.

FIRE AND CASUALTIES.

At Bennett's Station, near Pittsburgh, the destruction by fire of the rolling mill of Gray, Bennett & Co. threw 1,000 men out of work. The loss is estimated at \$300,000.

The harvest of wheat of D. M. Osterman & Co., at Chicago, was burned. The loss is estimated at \$40,000 on the building and \$280,000 on stock, and there was insurance to the amount of \$140,000.

An elevator in Pfeiffer & Vogel's tannery at Milwaukee was overloaded, and fell a distance of forty feet, causing the almost instant death of four employees who were in it at the time.

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